(c) whether it is a fact that doctors are not visiting health centres and are engaged in private practice; and

(d) if so, the details of the steps being taken to remove the doctors engaged in private practice alongwith the details of the measures being taken to make the doctors available in health centres every day?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (d) The number and location-wise details of Primary Health Centres functioning in these districts is not available with the Centre. The State Government of U.P. has repeatedly been requested to furnish the requisite data. Information will be collected and laid on the Table of the House, subsequently.

Decline in rate of AIDS

3950. SHRI BRAHMA KUMAR BHATT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the rate of AIDS has come down during 2000-2001;

(b) if so, the number of AIDS deaths occured during the last three years, State-wise and whether this has reduced compared to previous two years; and

(c) the measures being taken to bring down rate to zero?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) No, Sir. A statement indicating the number of reported AIDS deaths state-wise during last three years is enclosed (*See* below).

(c) In order to prevent and control the spread of HIV/AIDS in India, a comprehensive programme is currently under implementation throughout the country as a centrally sponsored scheme. The main components consists of:—

* Reducing the spread of HIV in groups at high risk by identification of target populations and providing peer counselling, condom promotion, treatment of sexually transmitted infections.

* Preventive intervention for the general population by Information, Education and Communication (IEC) and awareness campaign, provision of voluntary testing and counselling, safe blood transfusion services and prevention of occupational exposure.

* Providing financial assistance for opportunistic infections, home and community based care.

* Strengthening effectiveness and technical, managerial, financial sustainability at National State and Municipal levels.

Statement

Deaths due to AIDS (State-wise) during the last three years

Sl. No.	State/UT	1998	1999	2000 (upto Dec.)
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Andhra Pradesh	6	—	—
2.	Assam	1	—	1
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	—	—	—
4.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	—	—	7
5.	Bihar	12	5	7
6.	Chandigarh	—	—	13
7.	Punjab	4	—	—
8.	Delhi	—	—	24
9.	Daman & Diu	—	—	—

Sl. No.	State/UT	1998	1999	2000 (upto Dec.)
10.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1	2	—
11.	Goa	4	—	3
12.	Gujarat	—	12	—
13.	Haryana	—	—	5
14.	Himachal Pradesh	34	6	—
15.	Jammu & Kashmir	4	—	—
16.	Karnataka	12	20	19
17.	Kerala	82	13	—
18.	Lakshdweep	—	4	—
19.	Madhya Pradesh	—	—	50
20.	Maharashtra	—	—	57
21.	Manipur	—	2	17
22.	Mizoram	—	—	7
23.	Meghalaya	4	1	—
24.	Nagaland	1	12	25
25.	Orissa	—	—	—

Sl. No.	State/UT	1998	1999	2000 (upto Dec.)
26.	Pondicherry	18	71	—
27.	Rajasthan	—	—	—
28.	Sikkim	—	1	—
29.	Tamil Nadu	2	—	119
30.	Tripura	—	—	—
31.	Uttar Pradesh	—	—	4
32.	West Bengal	—	—	—
	TOTAL:	185	149	358

Maternal Mortality Rate

3951. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Maternal Mortality Rate has shown any improvement in the country during the last ten years;

(b) if so, the number of deaths of women per one lakh live births recorded during the above period;

(c) whether a large number of women are dying due to pregnancy-related complications than ever before;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps taken by Government to provide adequate medical facilities to those women who are in need of such facilities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (d) Estimates